

ORCAS ISLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT
WEEKLY BULLETIN
Week of January 15, 2012

STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Great staff party on Friday with great food and lots of laughing- White Elephant Gift Exchange always adds its own entertaining element.

Yes one K-12 bulletin is an adjustment.

Your comments and suggestions are appreciated. Please keep them coming. We need to know how to make this communication system work well for everyone.

FROM KYLE:

It is hard to prepare for a week when you don't know when it will start. With the current weather forecast there remains a good chance for more snow over the rest of the weekend. With the variability of morning weather conditions and different locations it is far too soon to make any decisions about Tuesday. Please be safe in the meantime. I hope you are all enjoying the beautiful snowy weather (I know Mandy is), the island sure is beautiful under this winter blanket.

It was nice to see so many of you at the staff gathering at Barbara's on Friday night, it will be interesting to see some of those White Elephant gifts put to use (will the deer phone make an appearance at school?)

I (Kyle) will be out of the building attending a training at the ESD. I may also be gone on Friday at an ALE meeting in Olympia.

Middle School Staff, we will be meeting on Thursday after-school for our regular staff meeting. Our focus will be the schedule for 2nd Semester.

Don't forget that we only have two more Exploratories left in this quarter. Make sure you are ready to wrap up your class next Wednesday.

Elementary Staff: Thank you for making Friday a great MLK day. I am sorry for the technical issues we had with the assembly, but the spirit of the day was well represented. I hope we can continue to remember all of the important words that Dr. King stood for.

The end of quarter/semester is a good time for a student survey.

Sometimes their insights are simply hilarious and sometimes they can really make you think about your teaching practices. They are our clients and their

opinions have some real merit.

Remember that in Google docs, you can make a simple survey (seems to me it is in forms) and send it to each student in your class via his/her school email. The responses will come back to you in a spreadsheet without the student's name attached, unless you make "what is your name?" one of the survey questions. Very neat.

Flag Lowering:

I've had a number of people ask why is the flag at half-staff today (it sure seems like it is down a lot). The governor's office maintains the following page: <http://www.governor.wa.gov/flag/default.asp> to inform citizens and public institutions about flag lowering orders.

Levy in February:

Remember that the M&O Levy is coming up in February.

Like the current M&O levy, this one will make up more than 20% of our budget. This will be a four year levy for tax years, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016. The new levy will replace the current M&O Levy which was a two year levy for tax years 2011 and 2012.

We will be sending out an informational packet but the basic information is listed above. Please feel free to share the information with your friends and neighbors.

Our budget news is not good for the rest of this year.

School district budget information will be shared and discussed at a board budget workshop on Thursday, January 19th in the school library at 5PM. All are welcome to attend.

If you want to hear what is happening with the school district's budget, please plan to attend.

LOCK DOWN DRILL

Sounds as though this concept has resulted in a lot of good conversations. Before we do the drill, we will have staff time to discuss and determine parameters. May decide to do a K-12 event on this one.

FOR ALL STAFF who sometimes use the HOME EC room:

Home ec room - Sewing machines are going to be use from time to time next semester in the home ec room so please do not block, move or store your miscellanies items on the machines. Thank you

MONDAY

Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday

TUESDAY

3:15PM Optional workshop in library for all staff with Sara Morgan who knows everything about your salary and benefits!! Come and see the Skyward employee access section with pay stub information IF you have a laptop, please bring it.

WEDNESDAY

Thesaurus day!

THURSDAY

Middle School Staff Meeting 3:15

B Kline on Waldron

School Board Budget Workshop 5:00

FRIDAY

University Mechanical on site for a project meeting - may be some people wandering about the elementary or high school.

SATURDAY

January 21st at 2PM!! OASIS COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY!!

It's Graduation Celebration time for the OASIS High School!

Come one, come all and help us celebrate the success of the following students: Annie Ray--Diploma; Cassie Lindgren: Diploma; Zach Edwardsen-Coddington--GED. AND NOW Jordan Griffin is graduating too!! January 21st at 2PM at the Hall next to the Episcopal Church--Main St, waterfront. PLEASE come and help cheer them on. It means a LOT to these students when their "old" teachers show up. It often surprises them that we care that much.

If you can, as always, bring a dish of hors d'oeuvres to share. We will have a finger food celebration after the ceremony.

The OASIS HS staff: Patricia, Marta, Jill and Cory

A LOOK Ahead:

HS Final week of semester schedule:

Monday B day regular schedule for B days

Tuesday A day regular schedule for A days

Final exam days - dismissal at 12:25 for high school only on all days. This is a regular time schedule with two classes between 8:30 and 12:25

NOTE: Because our budget is in sad condition, we are **NOT** planning to be running buses to take HS students home early on these days. HS students who wish to ride home on a school bus, are welcome to go to lunch and stay around the campus until the regular bus run at 3:15.

Wednesday 1B and 2B
 Thursday 1A and 2 A
 Friday 3A and 3B

School Counseling Week has been proclaimed for the week of February 6th - 10th

NAVIGATION 101 PLANS:

	9	10	11	12
1/23	HS Speaker	Online Lesson 3 ©	Online Lesson 4	Paper Lesson 1
2/6	Online Lesson 4 ©	Online Lesson 4 ©	5-Yr Plan	Paper Lesson 2
2/27	5-Yr Plan	5-Yr Plan	Online Lesson 5 ©	Resumes ©
3/5	SL Conf Prep Online Lesson 5 ©		SL Conf Prep Resumes ©	SL Conf Prep/
3/19	SL Conf Prep/ HS Speaker Resume ©		SL Conf Prep/ Resume ©	SL Conf Prep
3/26	Online Lesson 5 ©	Online Lesson 5 ©	Jobs Speaker	Free/?
4/9	Choose Classes	Choose Classes	Choose Classes	

SL Conferences:

Middle School and HS 9th – 11th – March 21 and 22

STUDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS:

NOTE: **Announcements intended for both Middle School and High School

Week of January 15, 2012

Welcome to the week of the
January OASIS Commencement Ceremony!!!!
Saturday at 2PM!!

All are invited to the ceremony! See details later in this bulletin.

Next week is the final week of the quarter/semester!
Are you ready to end this one in style and start a new quarter/semester?

REMINDER: Students who want to be in the HS commons during class time must have a commons area agreement on file in the office. During class time, the commons is a place for quiet working. 3A appears to be a particularly loud time in the commons.

****ATHLETIC EVENTS THIS WEEK:**

Tuesday HS Basketball away
Friday HS Basketball home
Saturday HS Basketball away

NEXT GRADE CHECK: January 23

HIGH SCHOOL classes are changing on January 30th.

Schedules as they exist right now, should be sent home this week for final checking. Be sure that you are signed up for the right classes.

Need help? See Mrs Wrightsman or Mrs Kline.

SENIORS: Now is the time to fill-out those online FAFSA forms at fafsa.gov if you want to receive any federal or school aid. Remember, you must have a PIN so you can electronically sign your forms. See the counselor if you have questions.

Do NOT go to a .com site. THEY WILL CHARGE YOU MONEY!
THE **Free** Application for Student Federal Aid(FAFSA) IS free!! Be sure
to GO TO THE .GOV SITE!

Yearbooks are \$55 and will stay that price for the month of January.
Get yours today!!!!

Bring checks to Georgia or Lisa in HS Office.
YEARBOOK STAFF NEEDS Surveys that we gave to each student.
Especially the ones about the caffeine and teezers.

Thank You - Violet Kissel

Career Choices credit 2nd semester:

If you are 16 or older there is credit available for those that want to work for pay or apprentice.

90 hours unpaid which is equal to roughly 5 hours/week or a paid position is 180 hours or about 10 hours/week.

Stop by and see Mrs. Schuh in room 301 for paperwork and registration information.

Eric Youngren's business, Solar Nexus, is hiring for long term and temporary positions. Willing to work with a part time schedule and around school hours. Contact Mrs. Schuh or send Eric a letter and resume.

Career Choices credit is possible if you land a paid or apprentice position.

Another Career Choices Opportunity

Career Choices credit available to students who are 16 and over.

OASIS is looking to "hire" organized, motivated, and responsible students who are willing to learn clerical duties, answering the phone in a professional manner, project work, filing, and more. This 5 hour a week apprenticeship opportunity can be accomplished during the school day or after school. Applicants can speak with Mrs. Goffeney in the OASIS area at the back of the library. Once you have procured a position, then pick up Career Choices paperwork from Mrs. Schuh.

Math with Business class is having a t-shirt design contest.

Designs should be no more than 4 colors. Win a free t-shirt and \$10!!

Submit your design by Friday to Georgia or Jill Sherman.

Monday

Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday

TUESDAY

Japanese Connections meeting Tuesday after school in room 516. If you have not given me your checks, please have them Tuesday. Thanks, Val

WEDNESDAY

Key Club meets at lunch!

THURSDAY

3:15PM OASIS Room Marine Tech Club

FRIDAY

Topic Circle for high school girls. Topic will be "Do's and Don'ts of a Friendship or a Relationship". Listen to others ideas, concerns, and thoughts. Please grab a friend and come and join, us we are sure you will be glad you did. Friday, Jan 20th
Join us at the Community Church in the Orcas Room (downstairs) at 7:00pm to 8:30-9:00ish.

If you have any questions, contact Julie Pinaridi.

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Student Chef Competition is coming on March 31st!!

The theme this year is Caribbean food!

Should be great fun and a

fine fundraiser for the Farm to Classroom and Cafeteria program.

Great Summer Opportunity - Business Week - open to current sophomores and juniors

Local scholarship has been available for the last few years. If you are interested,

please let Mrs. Wrightsman or Mrs. Kline know.

Experience the Magic of Washington Business Week this New Year.

2012 WBW Summer Programs are NOW OPEN!

Register today to reserve your spot on campus.

Washington Business Week ~ Real world experience. Life-changing results.

Join us in a fun, intensive weeklong experience this summer. Bring your friends. We strive to make our programs affordable for all students, so Financial Assistance is available.

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Quote of the Week: "The gap between where you are and where you want to be is called frustration. Frustration is eliminated by education and action."

-Unknown author

Quote submitted by Kari Schuh

